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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit the following documents for the Examiner's consideration.

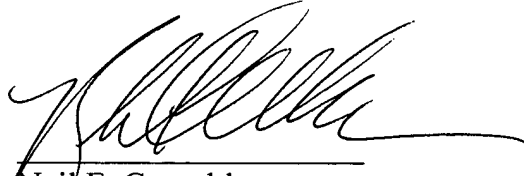
- (1) *Metso Automation News*, Press Release, “Metso Automation announces a new era of wet end moisture management: IQInsight give insight to papermakers with instantaneous full-sheet measurement in the wet-end” (June 4, 2002). Applicants note that this press release is discussed in the instant application beginning in paragraph [0004];
- (2) “IQInsight – a revolution in press section moisture management,” <<<http://www.metsoautomation.com/Automation/Paprod.nsf/WebWID/WTB-020620-225>>> (July 17, 2002);

- (3) *ipw*, "Companies and Markets," p. 27 (November 2001). Applicants note that this article is discussed in the instant application beginning in paragraph [0004];
- (4) "EV measuring technology and services," <<http://evgroup.fi/e_measure>> (July 17, 2002)
- (5) Press Release, "A New Device for Machine Direction Moisture and Temperature Measurement" (April 18, 2001). Applicants note that this press release is discussed in the instant application beginning in paragraph [0004]; and
- (6) "About EV Group," <<http://evgroup.fi/e_info>> (July 17, 2002).

Each of the above-cited documents are listed on the enclosed completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form, and copies of these documents are being submitted herewith. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the first official communication.

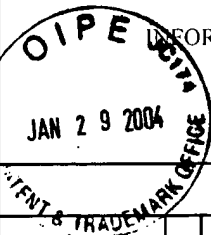
Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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